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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Gat et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/226,396 ) Examiner: NGUYEN, KIET  
Filed: January 6, 1999 ) Art Unit: 2881  
For: HEATING DEVICE FOR )  
HEATING SEMICONDUCTOR )  
WAFERS IN THERMAL )  
PROCESSING CHAMBERS )

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 20, 2001, please amend the above-captioned application as set forth below and consider the remarks that follow.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Applicants propose amending Fig. 1 as set forth on the Request for Approval of Drawing Changes accompanying this Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 48 and 55 as follows, all without prejudice or disclaimer. A marked-up copy of the claims as amended is attached for the Examiner's convenience.

48. (Amended) An apparatus as defined in claim 47, wherein said controller is configured to control the amount of light energy being emitted by said at least one tuning device independently of said light energy sources.

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